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Applicant: Toshinari SUGASAWA et al. Conf.: 9922

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For: RECOMBINANT HUMAN SM-11044-BINDING

RECEPTOR PROTEINS EXHIBITING LIGAND-BINDING ACTIVITIES, AND THEIR USE

PETITION AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION

Pursuant to Rule 48(b) the following named inventor(s) is/are no longer actual inventor(s) of the claimed invention as a result of claims pending in the instant divisional application:

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AMENDMENT

Please delete the above-named inventor(s) from all of the necessary USPTO papers (including the USPTO computer database) since they are no longer an inventor of the claimed subject matter.

Also enclosed please find the required petition fee under Rule $17\,(h)$.

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It is submitted that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) have been satisfied and it is requested that this Petition be granted. Notification of receipt and entry of this Petition and Amendment are respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT: Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)

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